

BUSINESS REPORT

**MONTANA SENATE
61st LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

SENATE BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Date: Friday, January 23, 2009
Place: Capitol

Time: 10 am
Room: 422

BILLS and RESOLUTIONS HEARD:

Prefix (HB, HR, HJR, SB, SR, or SJR) and number. Add Postponed (PP) when appropriate:

SB 242, SB 247

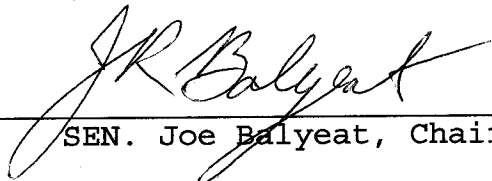
EXECUTIVE ACTION TAKEN:

Prefix (HB, HR, HJR, SB, SR, or SJR) and number. Enter P(pass) F(failed) DPAA (do pass as amended) BC(be concurred in) BCAA (be concurred in as amended):

SB 135 DPAA _____

SB 176 DPAA _____

COMMENTS:



SEN. Joe Balyeat, Chairman

MONTANA STATE SENATE
Roll Call
BUSINESS, LABOR & ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE: 1-23-09

<u>NAME</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT/ EXCUSED</u>
SENATOR JOE BALLYEAT, CHAIRMAN	✓	
SENATOR VERDELL JACKSON, VICE CHAIR	✓	
SENATOR GREGORY BARKUS	✓	
SENATOR ROY BROWN	✓	
SENATOR JIM KEANE	✓	
SENATOR JIM PETERSON		✓
SENATOR CAROLYN SQUIRES	✓	
SENATOR DONALD STEINBEISSER	✓	
SENATOR SHARON STEWART-PEREGOY	✓	
SENATOR JOSEPH TROPILA	✓	
SENATOR JONATHAN WINDY BOY	✓	



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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 135** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: _____

Joe Balyeat
Senator Joe Balyeat, Chair

And, that such amendments read:

1. Title, page 1, line 7.
Strike: "REGISTERING AND"

2. Title, page 1, line 13.
Strike: the first "AND"
Following: "33-22-2008,"
Insert: "AND 53-4-1004,"

3. Page 2, line 7.
Following: "from the"
Insert: "reporting"
Strike: "of this section"
Insert: "under subsection (3)"

4. Page 5, line 13.
Strike: "gross" through "commissions"
Insert: "wages, as defined in 39-71-123"

5. Page 5, line 15 through line 16.
Strike: "gross" on line 15 through "business" on line 16
Insert: "wages, as defined in 39-71-123"

6. Page 5, line 27.

Committee Vote:

Yes 10, No 1

Fiscal Note Required ☐

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Strike: "medicare or"

Strike: "Titles XVIII and"

Insert: "Title"

Following: "Act"

Strike: ", respectively" through "eligible"

Insert: "may become ineligible"

7. Page 10.

Following: line 18

Insert: "Section 6. Section 53-4-1004, MCA, is amended to read:

"53-4-1004. (Temporary) Eligibility for program -- rulemaking. (1) To be considered eligible for the program, a child:

(a) must be 18 years of age or younger;

(b) must have a combined family income at or below 250% of the federal poverty level or at a lower level determined by the department of public health and human services as provided in subsection (4);

(c) may not already be covered by private insurance that offers creditable coverage, as defined in 42 U.S.C. 300gg(c), for 3 months prior to enrollment in the program or since birth, whichever period is less, except that the break in coverage is waived for a covered dependent whose coverage moves from the purchasing pool provided under Title 33, chapter 22, part 20, to coverage under this part;

(d) may not be eligible for medicaid benefits; and

(e) must be a United States citizen or qualified alien and a Montana resident.

(2) The department of public health and human services shall adopt rules that establish the program's criteria for residency. The criteria must conform as nearly as practicable with the residency requirements for medicaid eligibility.

(3) Subject to 53-4-1009(3), rules governing eligibility may also include financial standards and criteria for income and resources, treatment of resources, and nonfinancial criteria.

(4) If the department determines that there is insufficient funding for the program, it may lower the percentage of the federal poverty level established in subsection (1)(b) in order to reduce the number of persons who may be eligible to participate or may limit the amount, scope, or duration of specific services provided. (Terminates on occurrence of contingency--sec. 15, Ch. 571, L. 1999; sec. 14, I.M. No. 155, approved November 4, 2008.)"

Renumber: subsequent sections

8. Page 10.

Following: line 18

Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 7. Contingent voidness.

[Section 6] is void on the date that the centers for medicare and medicaid services notifies the department of public health and

human services of disapproval of the state plan amendment. The department of public health and human services shall notify the code commissioner of the date of the notification if the state plan amendment is disapproved."

Renumber: subsequent section

- END -



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Mr. President:

We, your committee on **Business, Labor, and Economic Affairs** recommend that **Senate Bill 176** (first reading copy -- white) **do pass as amended.**

Signed: _____

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Joe Balyeat", is written over a horizontal line.

Senator Joe Balyeat, Chair

And, that such amendments read:

1. Title, page 1, line 4.

Following: "PROVIDING"

Strike: "AN"

Insert: "A LIMITED"

2. Page 1, line 14.

Following: "licensed"

Insert: "only for surety bail bonds or"

3. Page 1, line 16.

Following: "only for"

Insert: "surety bail bonds or for"

4. Page 1, line 18.

Following: "or"

Insert: "topics specific to surety bail bonds or"

5. Page 1, line 25.

Following: "or"

Insert: "or"

6. Page 1, line 26 through line 27.

Following: "commissioner" on line 26

Strike: "; or" on line 26 through "bonds" on line 27

- END -

Committee Vote:

Yes 11, No 0

Fiscal Note Required ☐

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MONTANA STATE SENATE
Roll Call Vote
BUSINESS, LABOR, AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

DATE 1-23-09 BILL NO SB135 MOTION NO. _____
 MOTION: Do Pass Amdt SB13501.apm

NAME	AYE	NO	If Proxy Vote, check here & include signed Proxy Form with minutes
SENATOR GREGORY BARKUS	✓		
SENATOR ROY BROWN	✓		
SENATOR JIM KEANE	✓		
SENATOR JIM PETERSON	✓		pr.
SENATOR CAROLYN SQUIRES	✓		pr
SENATOR DONALD STEINBEISSER	✓		
SENATOR SHARON STEWART-PEREGOY	✓		
SENATOR JOSEPH TROPILA	✓		
SENATOR JONATHAN WINDY BOY	✓		
SENATOR VERDELL JACKSON, VICE CHAIR	✓		
SENATOR JOE BALYEAT, CHAIRMAN	✓		

**AUTHORIZED
SENATE COMMITTEE PROXY**

I request to be excused from Business & Labor Committee because of other commitments. I desire to leave my proxy vote with:

Verdell Jackson

Indicate Bill number and your vote Aye or No. If there are amendments, list them by name and number under the bill and indicate a separate vote for each amendment.

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Sen.

(Signature)

Date _____

1/23/09

AUTHORIZED SENATE COMMITTEE PROXY

I request to be excused from BUSINESS & LABOR Committee because of other commitments. I desire to leave my proxy vote with:

JOE TROPILA

Indicate Bill number and your vote Aye or No. If there are amendments, list them by name and number under the bill and indicate a separate vote for each amendment.

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE

NO

SB 176 AMEND	✓	
SB 176 AS "	✓	
SB 135 AMEND	✓	
SB 135 AS "	✓	

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE

NO

Sen.

Carolyn A. Green
(Signature)

Date

2/23/09

AUTHORIZED SENATE COMMITTEE PROXY

I request to be excused from BUSINESS & LABOR Committee because of other commitments. I desire to leave my proxy vote with:

JOE TROPILA

Indicate Bill number and your vote Aye or No. If there are amendments, list them by name and number under the bill and indicate a separate vote for each amendment.

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE

NO

SB 176 AMEND	✓	
SB 176 AS "	✓	
SB 176 AS "		
SB 176 AS "		

BILL/AMENDMENT

AYE

NO

sen.

Benny Stewart Percey
(Signature)

Date

2/23/09

MONTANA STATE SENATE

Visitors Register

BUSINESS, LABOR & ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Date 1-23-09

Bill No. 242 Sponsor(s) Balyeat

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Please leave prepared testimony with Secretary. Witness Statement forms are available if you care to submit written testimony.

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Visitors Register

BUSINESS, LABOR & ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Date 1-23-09

Bill No. 247 Sponsor(s) Black

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Name and Address	Representing	Support	Oppose	Inf.
Gary Wiens	MT. Elec. Co-ops' Assoc.	X		
GAIL KUNTZ	BPA			X
TIM GALLUP	Golden Recycling	X		
MIKE KEMPEL	Pacific Steel and Recycling	X		
Dave Kelsey	Yellowstone Valley Elec. Cooperative	X		
Gary A. Sethe	Non-Vol Elec. Coop	X		
DOUG HARTY	MT RURAL COOPS	X		
John Fitzpatrick	Northwestern Elec.	X		
MERLE PAPA	MCAA / Marias River electric	X		
Bonnie Horang	MT Indep. Tel. Trans. Svc.	X		
Griff Feiss	MT Telecom Assoc.	X		

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